(d) No, Sir. The present CMD, after taking over in April, 1987 has been abroad only once, for a week, to participate in Buver Seller Meet in Moscow in June '87.

(e) Does not arise.

Combatisation of non-Gazetted Ministerial staff of CRPF

2741. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
DR. C. SILVERA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether non-Gazetted Ministerial staff of the CRPF was combatised w.e.f. 28th February, 1981 by abolishing their non-Gazetted civil posts but they were not allowed the pay scales as well as the scales of uniform of their respective combatised posts in General Duty Ranks;

(b) if so, what were the reasons for not allowing all the benefits of combatisation; and

(c) whether it is a fact that consequent upon their combatisation the non-Gazetted Ministerial staff have to suffer loss in their service period on account of reduction of their age of retirement from 58 years to 55 years; if so, what remedial measure Government purposes to take to compensate these non-Gazetted Ministerial staff?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES, AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The non-gazetted ministerial staff of CRPF who were combatised in 1981 were not given the scales of pay as for executive ranks in 1981 on grounds of repercussion elsewhere. All the items of uniform were not allowed to the ministerial staff after combatisation due to their sedentry nature of duties, and in view of the fact that some items are required to be used only for operational requirements with which the ministerial staff have nothing to do.

(c) It is a fact that consequent upon their combatisation the age of superannuation of the non-Gazetted combatised ministerial staff has been reduced from 58 to 55. Having regard to this aspect, they have now been granted scales of pay as applicable to the corresponding non-gazetted executive ranks.

Corporation for export of garments

2742. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a Corporation for export of garments; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b). No proposal for setting up a Corporation for exports of garments is at present under the cnsideration of the Government.

Pay scales of CRPF

2743. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Fourth Pay Commission has recommended that after commbatisation all its consequences should follow in the CRPF and Government have accepted the recommendations;

(b) whether the required pay scales have been allowed to the General Duty Ranks staff of CRPF w.e.f. 1st January. 1986 while in case of non-Gazetted Ministerial staff they have